

ATTACHMENT I





**Port Angeles**  
REGIONAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

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## ***Chamber Supports Port Land Sale to Sprint Boat Organizers***

*At their June meeting the Port Angeles Regional Chamber of Commerce board of directors debated the proposed sale by the Port Of Port Angeles regarding the 112 acre South Industrial Property. The buyers represent a local group of Sprint Boat Racing enthusiasts who would like to develop the land to include an event site with the center piece of the site being the track the boats use for racing. The chamber has been very involved with the Sprint Boat event potential for the community and believes that if an event site such that is being proposed does happen, the community will have opportunities to grow other businesses in the area due to this event. In addition the pure economic impact to the community by holding the sprint boat event several times each year will bring in hundreds of thousands of dollars to the community each time an event is held.*

*Several years ago the chamber took a position that events and tourism are indeed major economic engines for the Olympic Peninsula and we as a Chamber, City, Port, and County should do whatever we can to attract new events, and build tourism product. It is a proven fact that people that attend events or vacation in areas often then become interested to relocate to the area, which of course helps drive the economy.*

*The Chamber Board representing the 550 members of the chamber did vote to endorse the Sprint Boat event and the sale of the land by the Port and stands ready to assist to help promote and market the concept and the first event which could happen as early as September.*



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Local Governing Agencies Who Support  
Extreme Sports Park  
Attachment K